Bridge across Yagachi River near Settihalli, Hassan Taluk.

Q.—336. Sri G. A. THIMMAPPA GOWDA (Arkalgud).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that several representations both by the public, the District Board, Members of the Assembly and Council and raiyats' conferences are repeatedly made since 30 years for the grant of a bridge across Yagachi river near Settihalli, Hassan Taluk ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that plans and estimates of this bridge were made long back ;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that rupees two lakhs were provided out of the Central Road Fund two years back for the construction of this bridge and that amount was diverted for a different purpose by the Mysore Government;

(*d*) whether it is not a fact that the Minister for Public Works stated he was convinced of the necessity of this bridge when he visited the spot last year and whether he has not given an assurance to the people in a public meeting held at Settihalli to sanction this bridge ;

(*e*) whether it is a fact that the District Board, Hassan, has agreed to give one-third of the total cost of this bridge ?

A.— Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) Representations have been received over the last ten years.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) A sum of Rs. 1,90,000 had been provided in the programme.

(*d*) It was assured that the request of the villagers would be considered very sympathetically.

(*e*) Yes.

Sri G. A. THIMMAPPA GOWDA.— Can I expect at least this time a categorical and positive answer from Government regarding this bridge, Sir ?

Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA.—The answer is categorical and positive. I may further add that this year we are proposing to allot some more money.

Construction of High School Building at Chickmagalur.

Q.—361. Sri B. M. SEENAPPA (Cubbonpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the construction of High School building at Chikmagalur was completed last year and a school is running there this year ;

(*b*) whether the roof of this building is already leaking and there are serious cracks in the roof ;

(*c*) whether at the time of visit to this building by the Sub-Committee for Roads and Buildings of the Estimates Committee a number of defects were noticed and shown to the Engineers ;

(*d*) what are the omissions and defects pointed out by the Sub-Committee ;

(*e*) the action taken thereon by the Public Works Department ?

A.—Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) The work of extending the Government High School building was completed about three years back and the classes are being held in the building since then ;

(*b*) During the rains, water had seeped through the construction joint on the beam and water had come either side of the beam. Only superficial plaster cracks were noticed on the walls below and there were no cracks on the roof ;

(*c*) Defects had already been noticed by the departmental officers and were proposed to be set right after the last rains and in the meantime the Sub-Committee who were visiting the place also noticed these defects ;

(*d*) The weather proof coat was not effective and it had to be properly re done ;

(*e*) The defective weather proofing is being rectified.